Meeting of Central Coordination Committee under Disability Act, 1995

1588. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':
SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that policy making body under the Disability Act, 1995, namely the Central Coordination Committee has met only six times during the last six years while the Committee is required to meet every three months;

(b) whether Government are aware that this has an adverse effect on the implementation of the Disability Act; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard and the steps taken to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. As per the provisions of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, the Central Coordination Committee (CCC) is required to meet at least once in every six months. The Committee reconstituted in 1998 under the directions of the Supreme Court, has met three times and reviewed progress made in implementing the provisions of the Persons with Disabilities Act.

Service Code for the Imam, Hifeez and Nizarath

1589. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide for a service code for the posts of Imam, Hifeez and Nizarath declared as employees of the Wakf Boards;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to impress upon the Wakf Boards to implement the scheme for providing salaries and perks to Imams, Hifeezs and Nizaraths as approved by the Supreme Court?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (d) In pursuance of the direction of the Supreme Court, a scheme for remuneration to Imams/Mauzzins was prepared which provided for categorization of Imams, model scale of remuneration, factor to be considered for determining the quantum/scale of payment as well as administration of the scheme. Implementation of the scheme was the responsibility of the concerned Board of Wakfs. The State Governments are being pursued for taking action accordingly.

Functions of NBCFDC

1590. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the functions of the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation; and

(b) the details of the loans sanctioned and the projects completed by the Corporation in Tamil Nadu during the past five years?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (c) The National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) has been entrusted with the job of promoting economic and developmental activities for the benefit of members of Backward Classes, who are living below double the poverty line by way of providing loans and advances for economically and financially viable schemes.

(b) The NBCFDC channelises its funds for the target group